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Preliminary Amendment

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (original): A double eyelid forming tape comprising a resiliently elastic

narrow tape member applied with an adhesive thereon.

Claim 2 (original): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 1, wherein the

tape member is formed of synthetic resin being stretchable and exhibiting resilient elasticity

after being stretched.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 1 [[or

2]], wherein the adhesive is applied on one or both of the surfaces of the tape member.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A double eyelid forming tape according to any one of

Claims 1 to 3 Claim 1, further comprising holding portions having no adhering property on

the surfaces at both ends thereof for holding by fingertips.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A double eyelid forming tape according to any one of

Claims Claim 1 [[to 3]], wherein a release sheet having a breaking point to be broken when

being stretched is adhered on one or both of the surfaces of the tape member.

Claim 6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (currently amended): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 5 [[or

6]], wherein the sheet is formed of silicon paper, or a film applied with silicon processing.

Claim 8 (original): A method of manufacturing a double eyelid forming tape

comprising the steps of: applying an adhesive on one or both of the surfaces of a resiliently

elastic sheet member of a given length; forming holding portions having no adhering property

at both ends when viewed in the widthwise direction; and cutting the same in the widthwise

direction into narrow strips.

Claim 9 (canceled)

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Claim 10 (original): A double eyelid forming string comprising a resiliently elastic string member applied with an adhesive.

Claim 11 (original): A double eyelid forming string according to Claim 10, further comprising holding portions having no adhering property on the surfaces at both ends thereof for holding by fingertips.

Claim 12 (canceled)

Claim 13 (new): A method of manufacturing a double eyelid forming article of manufacture, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of string members each made of a resiliently stretchable material which provides a sufficient amount of recoil after adhered on an eyelid such that each of the plurality of string members breaks into the eyelid and forms a fold in the eyelid, the string members having arcuate upper and lower surfaces;

applying a layer of adhesive on the upper and lower surfaces of the string members; attaching an upper and lower release sheet to the plurality of string members; and cutting the sheet member in a widthwise direction along straight, linear cutting lines to form a plurality of narrow strips or string members each having a width of approximately 1 to 3 mm.

Claim 14 (new): The method according to Claim 13, wherein the upper release sheet has arcuate grooves in a lower surface thereof for the top portion of the string members having the layer of adhesive applied thereon to fit into and the lower release sheet has arcuate grooves in the upper surface thereof for the lower portions of the string members having the layer of adhesive applied thereon to fit into.

Claim 15 (new): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 2, wherein the adhesive is applied on one or both of the surfaces of the tape member.

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Claim 16 (new): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 2, further comprising holding portions having no adhering property on the surfaces at both ends thereof for holding by fingertips.

Claim 17 (new): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 3, further comprising holding portions having no adhering property on the surfaces at both ends thereof for holding by fingertips.

Claim 18 (new): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 2, wherein a release sheet having a breaking point to be broken when being stretched is adhered on one or both of the surfaces of the tape member.

Claim 19 (new): A double eyelid forming tape according to Claim 3, wherein a release sheet having a breaking point to be broken when being stretched is adhered on one or both of the surfaces of the tape member.